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For: FLEXIBLE POLYURETHANE FOAM)	
AND USE THEREOF)	

THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, applicants hereby submit certain documents cited in a Supplementary Search Report dated April 1, 2009 in the corresponding European application in conformance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed. However, copies of the listed U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications are not enclosed since it is no longer required.

It is noted that Japanese Patent Publication No. 08-311149 and WO 03/0166372 were previously submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 22, 2006 in a First Information Disclosure Statement. Therefore, copies of these documents are not provided herewith. It is further pointed out that WO 01/58976 corresponds to Japanese Patent Publication No. 2003-522261 which was also previously submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the First Information Disclosure Statement.

The documents are being submitted after a first Office Action on the merits but prior to the closing of prosecution, therefore under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), the fee of \$180 set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is enclosed.

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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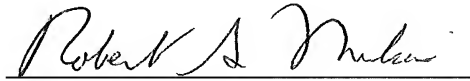
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